
Overcoming Limitations In Current Pre-Transfusion Compatibility Testing Methods Using Phage Display Technology

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OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

- **Drawbacks of current pre-transfusion testing methods**
- **Overview of phage display technology**
- **Use of phage display to create “conventional” agglutination-based antibody reagents**
- **Use of phage display to create novel “genetic-based” antibody reagents**



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What's New

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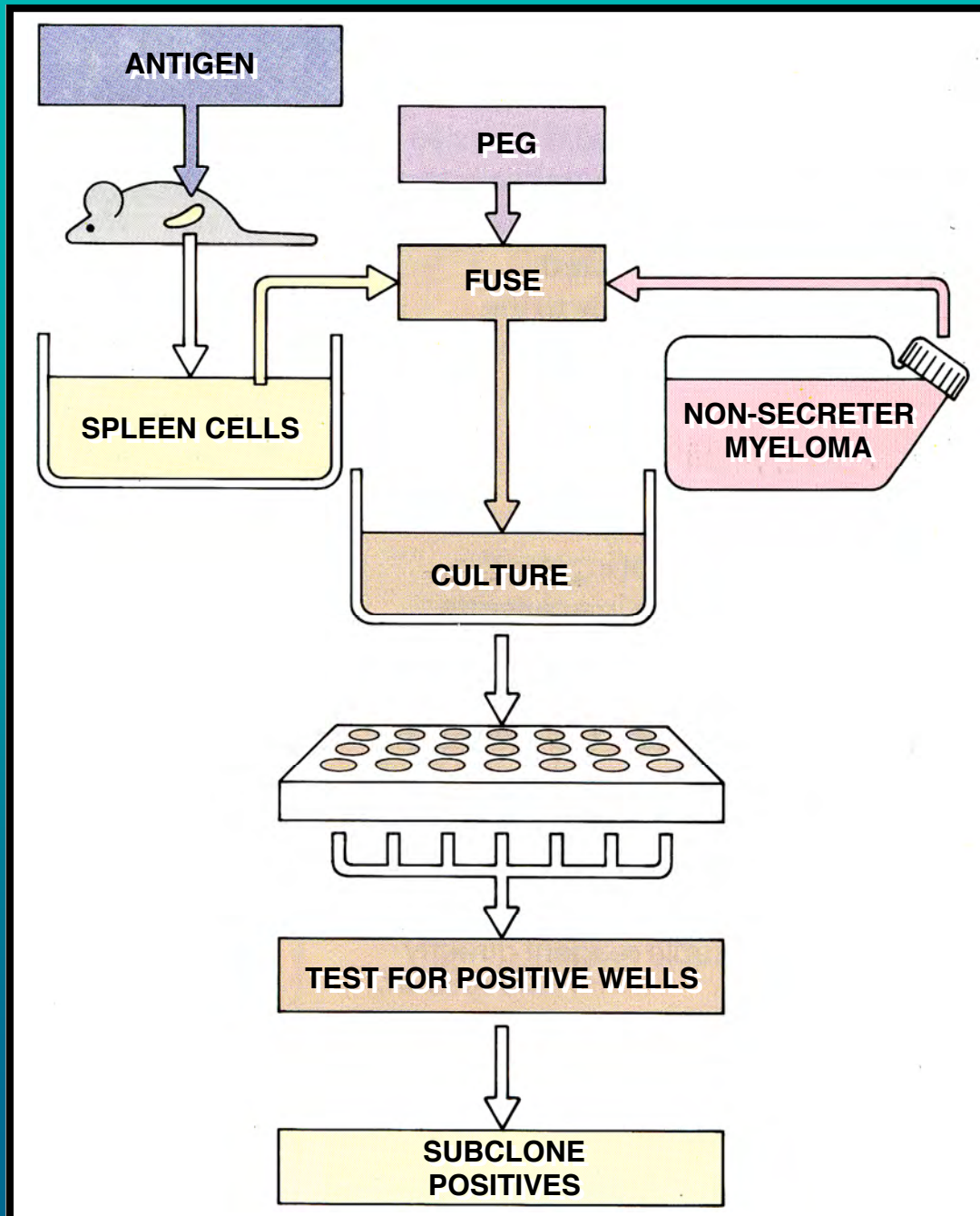
Current Pre-Transfusion Testing Methods

- Need reagents and methods in which to use them
- Reagents currently comprise anti-RBC antibodies, anti-human globulin, and reagent red cells
- Methods currently utilize agglutination (or some variant) as read-out

Current Pre-Transfusion Testing Methods

- Drawbacks of current methods
 - expense and, in some cases, scarcity of antibody reagents
 - method impractical for performing extending phenotyping on routine basis
 - reason for “reactive” vs. “proactive” practice of TM
 - medically can lead to:
 - delayed hemolytic transfusion reactions
 - delays in providing blood (positive screen leads to need to perform ab ID, then need to ID ag-negative units on the spot, then perform full-crossmatches vs. computer crossmatch, etc.)
 - financial impact of alloimmunization: 55% of pre-transfusion testing costs spent on working up ~15% of patients

Hybridoma Technology



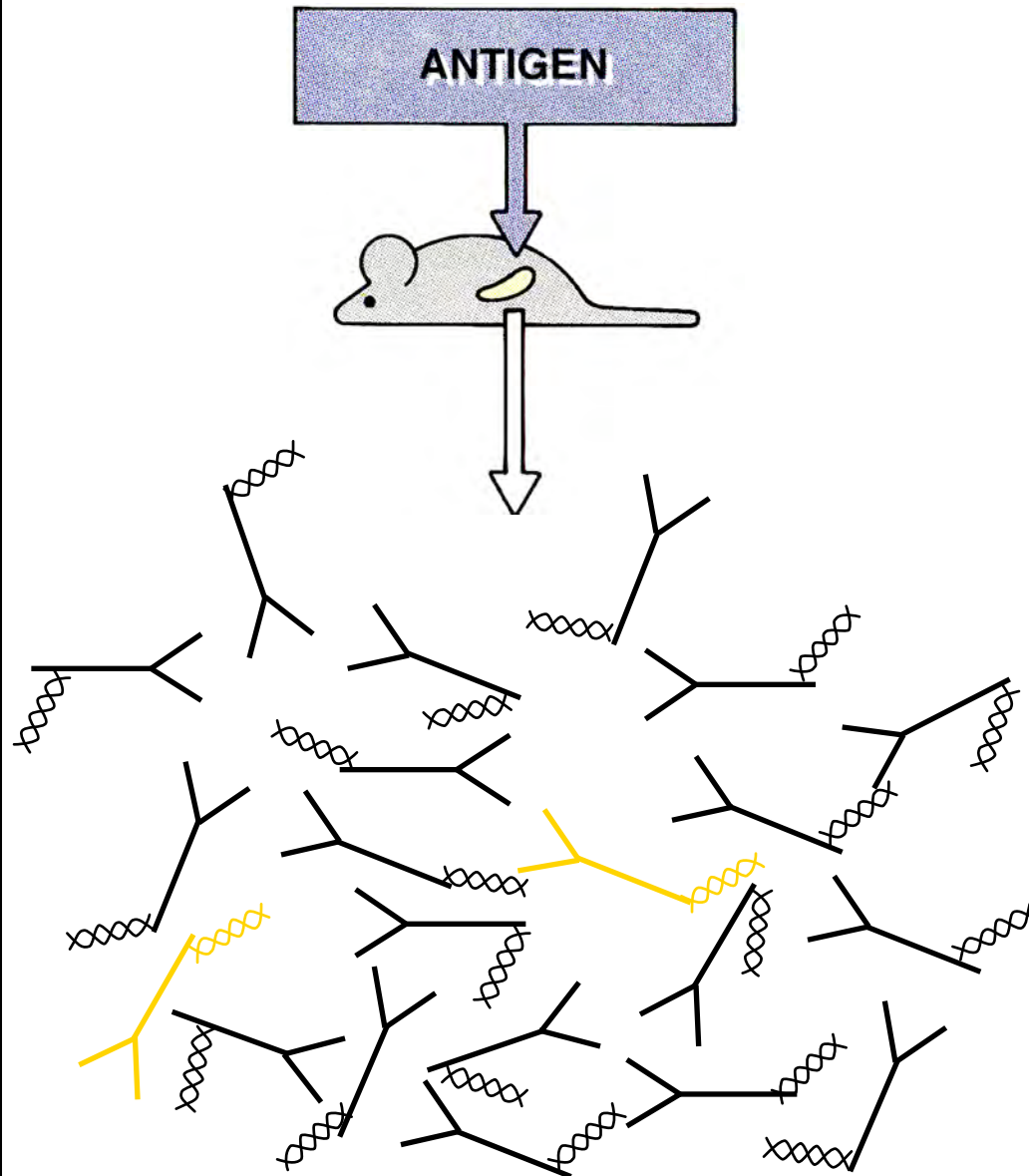
LIMITATIONS

- labor intensive
- expensive
- inefficient
- get what you get
- antibodies not human

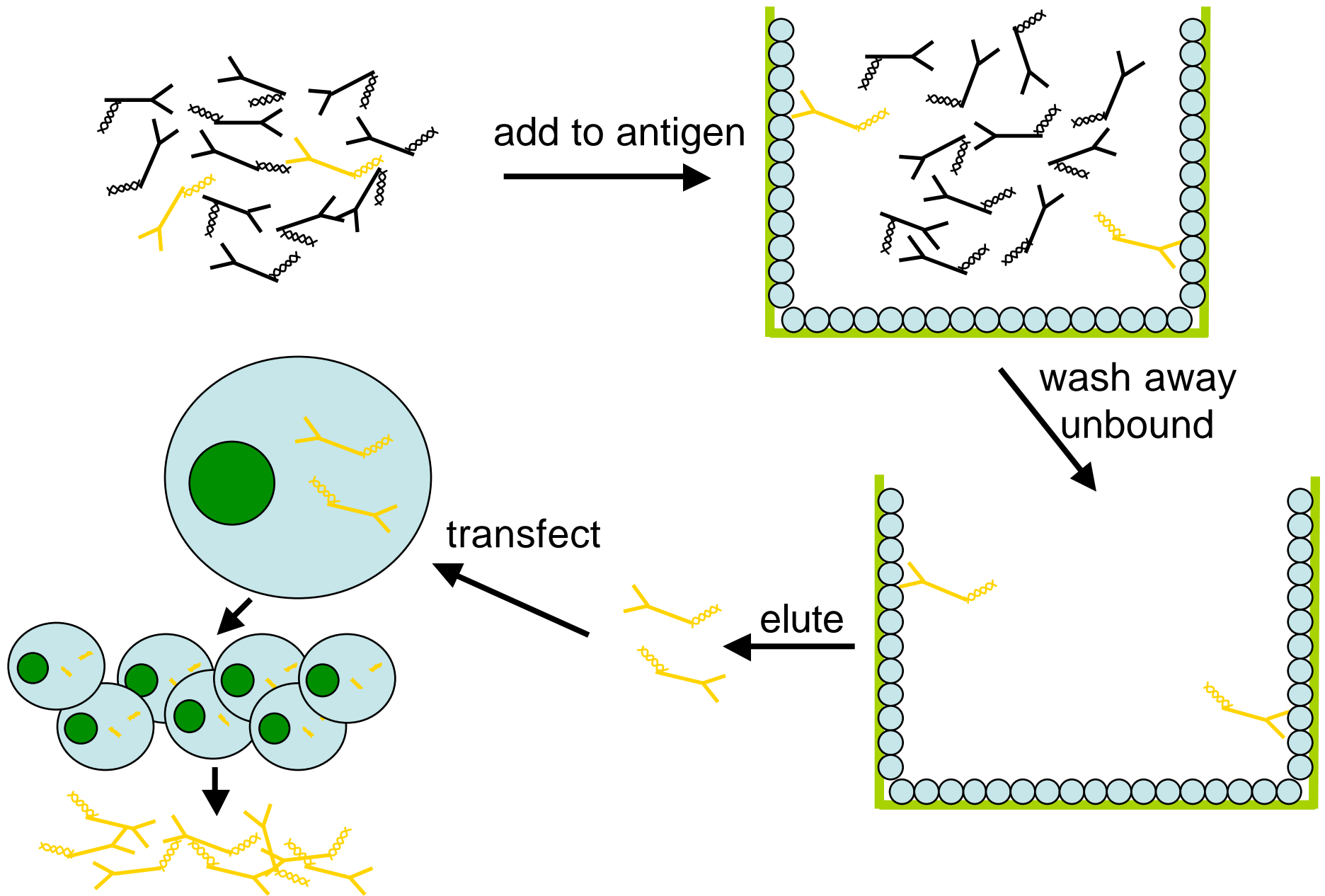
Problems With Conventional Methods for Production of Human Monoclonal Antibodies

- low efficiency when using EBV-transformation approach
- low fusion frequency if attempt to make heterohybridomas
- decline in antibody production and growth
- instability of human/mouse heterohybridomas with progressive loss of human chromosomes

Science Fiction



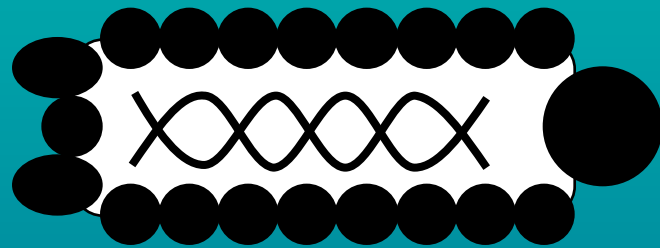
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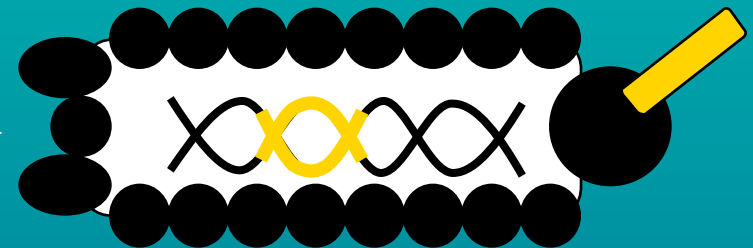
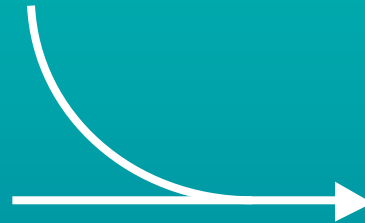
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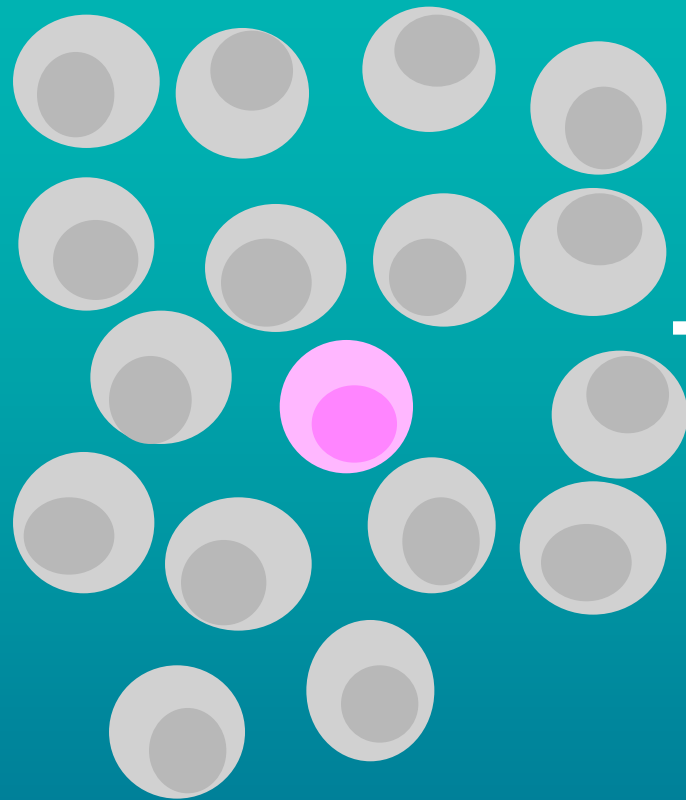
Expressed
Polypeptide



FILAMENTOUS
BACTERIOPHAGE
(M13)



PHAGE-DISPLAYED
POLYPEPTIDE

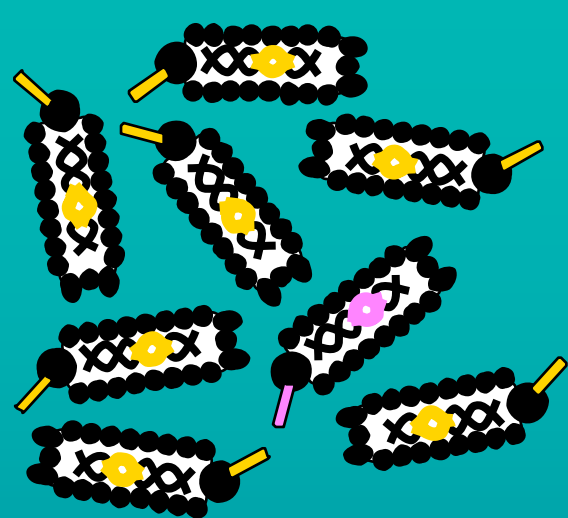


B Cells

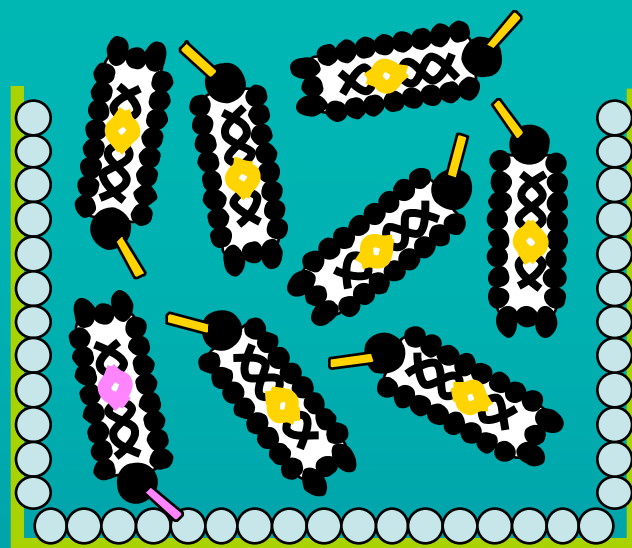
Clone Ig cDNA;
Express Antibody
on Phage Surface



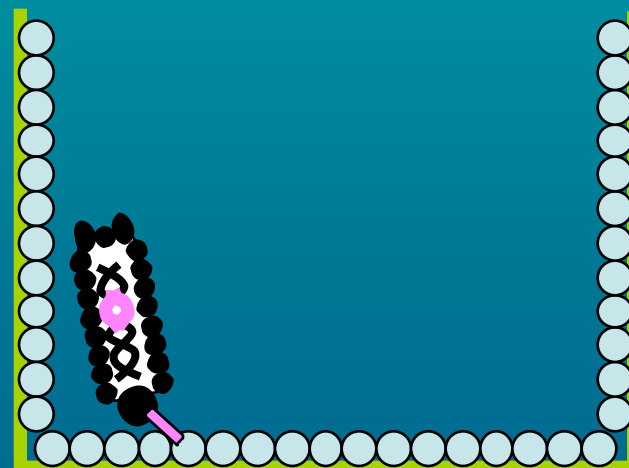
**Phage Display
Library**



add to antigen



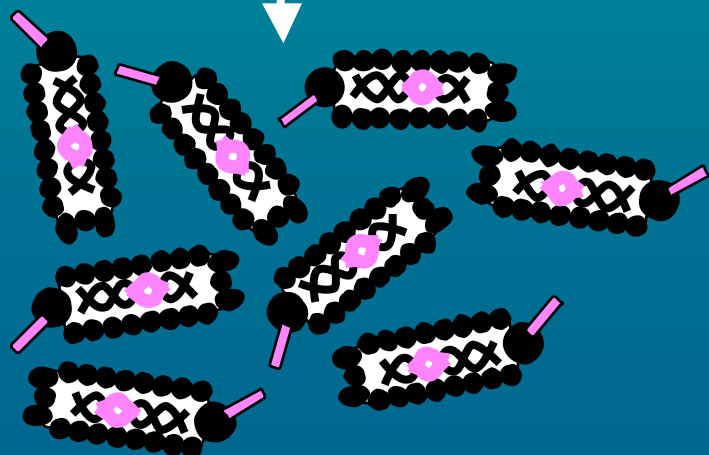
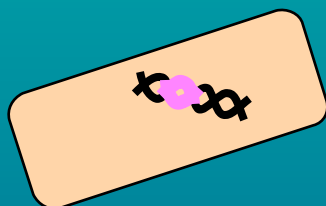
wash away
unbound



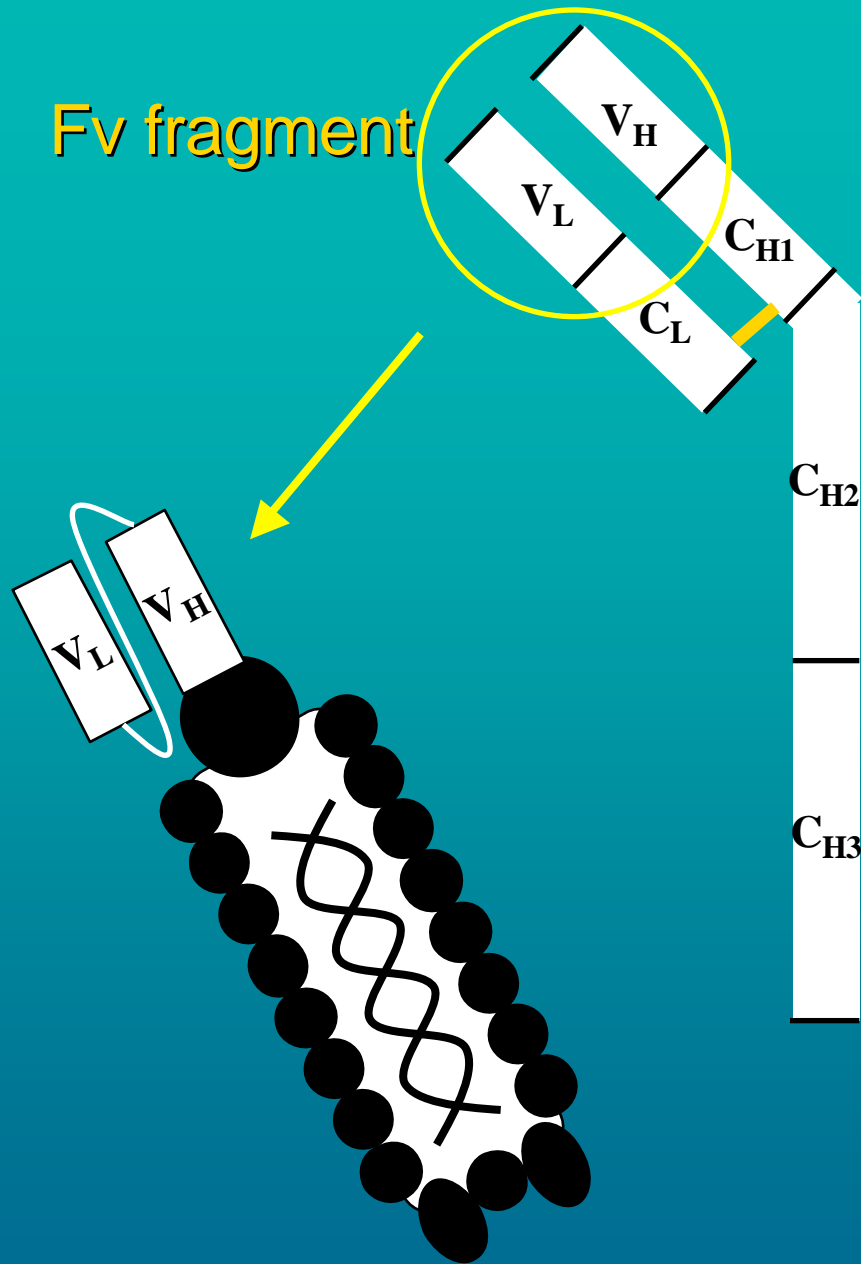
elute



infect
bacteria

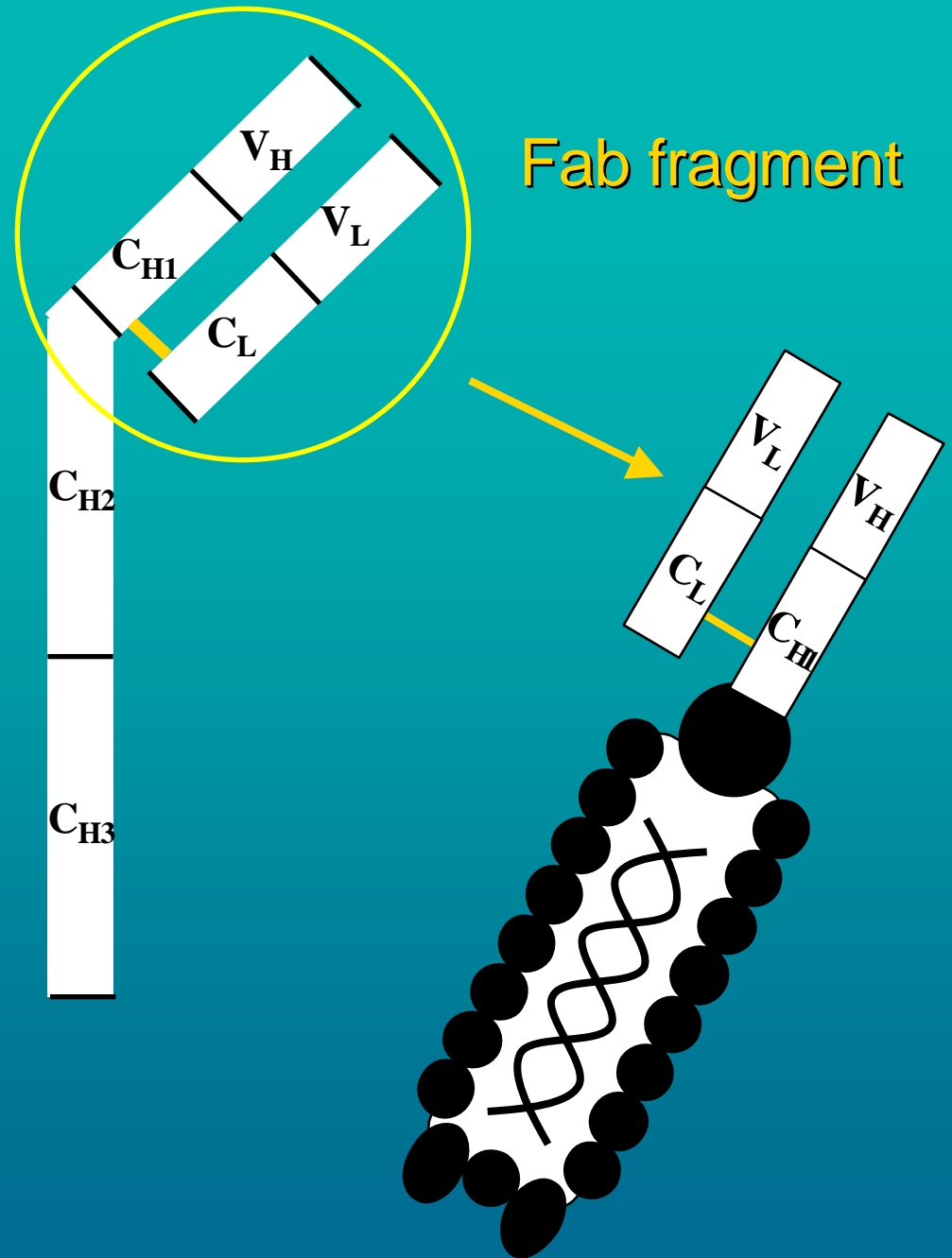


Fv fragment

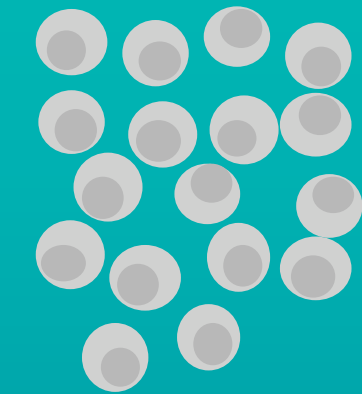


scFv = single polypeptide chain

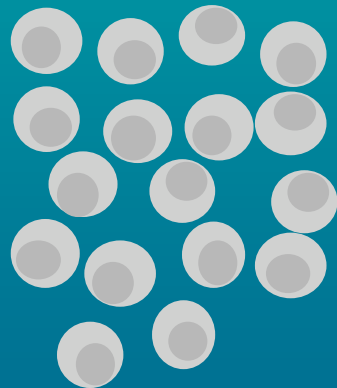
Fab fragment



Fab = 2 polypeptide chains

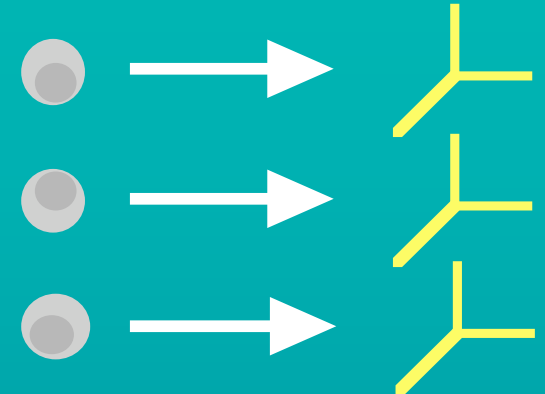


B Cells



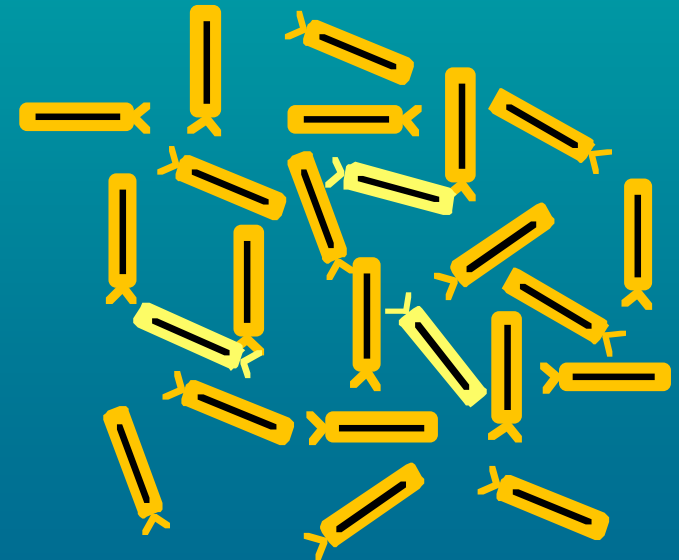
**CONVENTIONAL
APPROACH**

TRANSFORM,
CULTURE,
SCREEN,
SUBCLONE,
CULTURE,
SCREEN, ETC.



**PHAGE-DISPLAY
APPROACH**

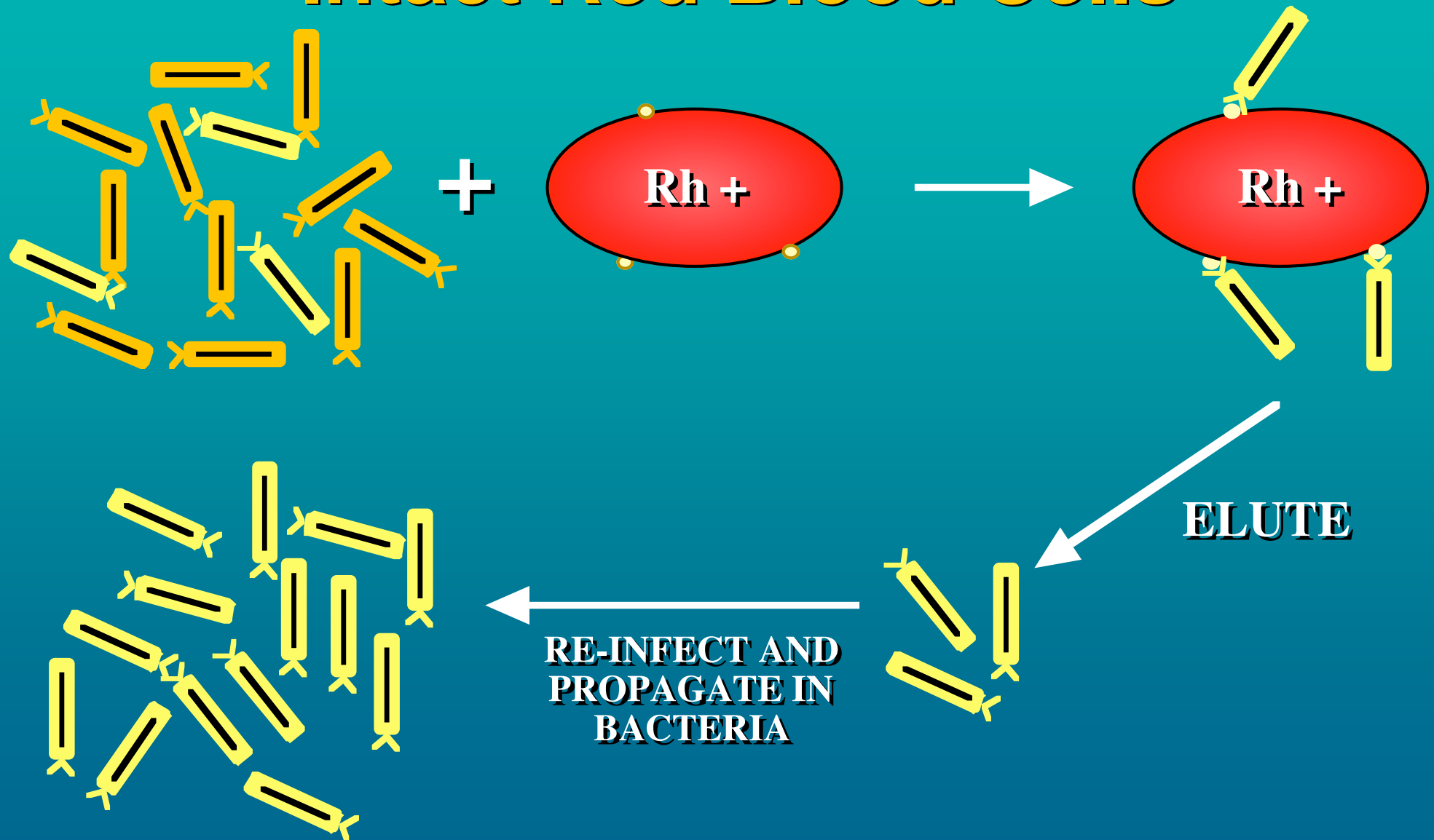
CLONE Ig cDNA,
EXPRESS FAB ON
PHAGE COAT



Advantages of Molecular Methods

- **does not rely on immortalization of lymphocytes**
- **easily adapted to produce mAbs from any species (rabbit, chicken, monkey, camel, mouse, human)**
- **RNA-based, so access to all B-cell compartments**
- **isotype controllable/affinity-controllable**
- **streamlined screening and rapid production**
- **indefinitely stable and capable of self-replication**

Panning Phage Libraries with Intact Red Blood Cells



Yield of Anti-Rh Antibodies from a Single Experiment

Sampled 83 clones (out of $>10^6$ anti-Rh(D) clones):

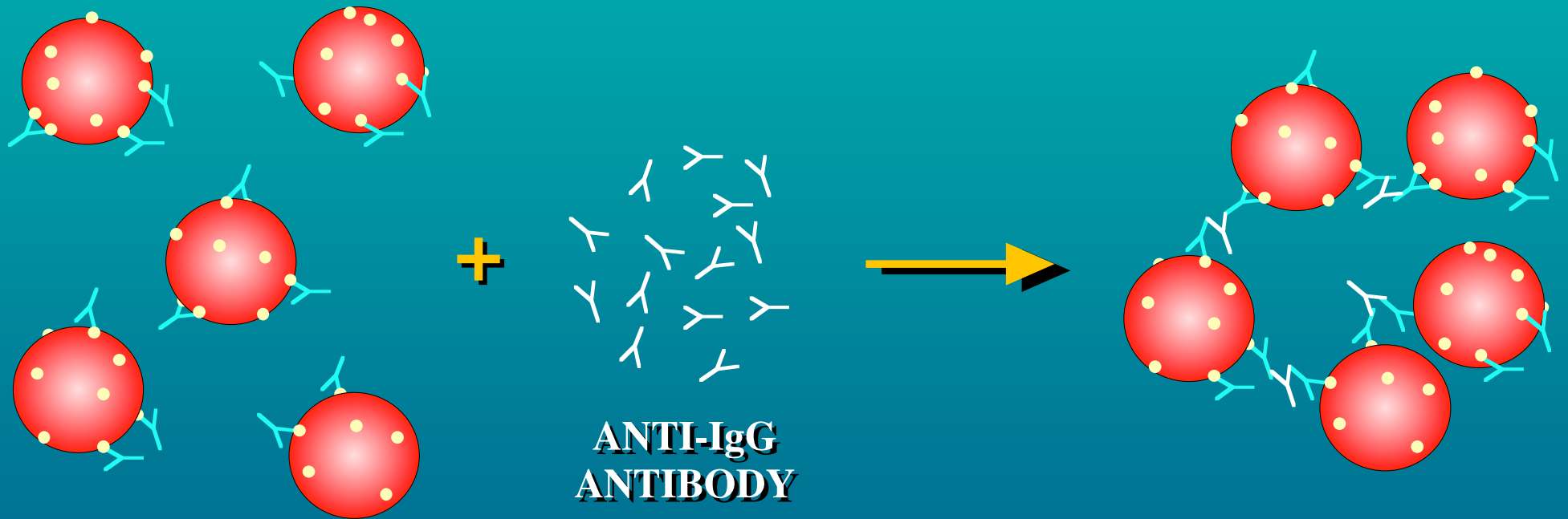
# of unique heavy chains	28
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# of unique kappa light chains	18
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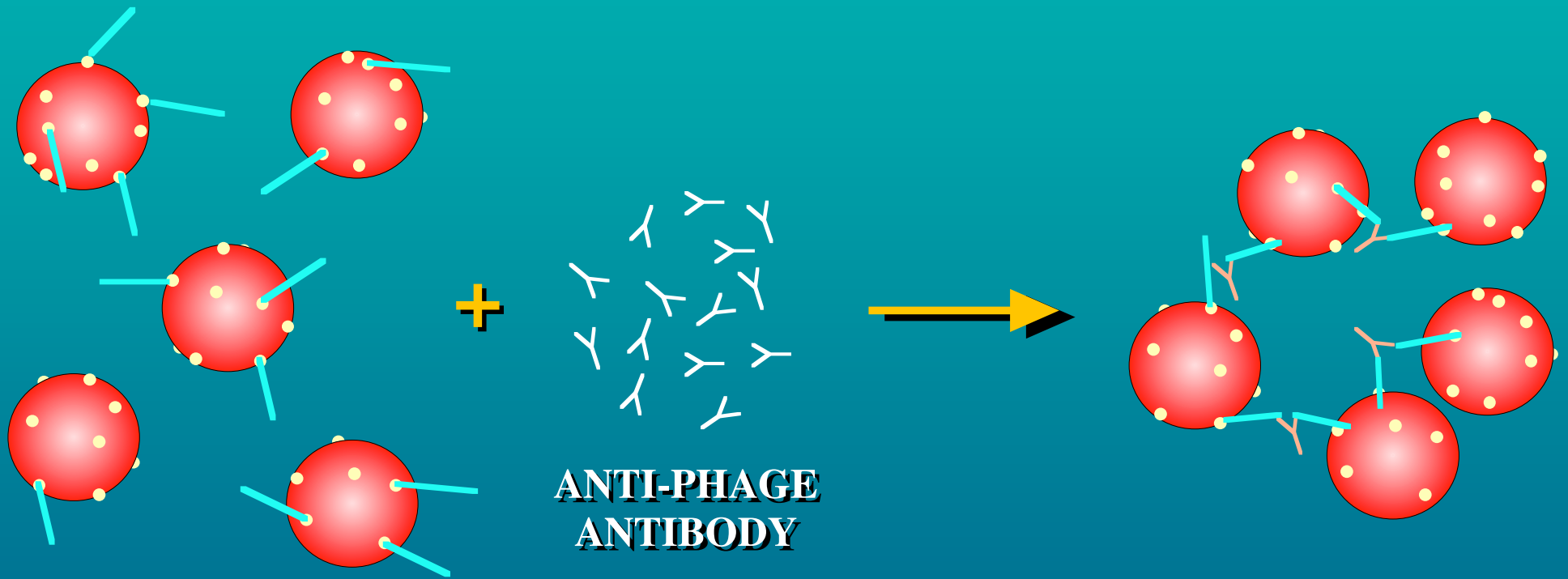
# of unique lambda light chains	23
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# of unique anti-D antibodies	53
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Blood Typing with Conventional Antibodies and Anti-IgG Antibodies



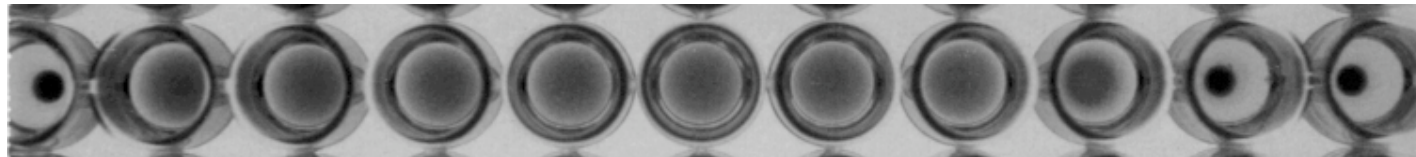
Blood Typing with Phage and Anti-Phage Antibodies



Phage-Displayed Antibodies as Blood Typing Reagents

Rh(D)-
negative
cell

Rh(D)-
positive
cells



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1/32

1/64

1/128

1/256

1/512

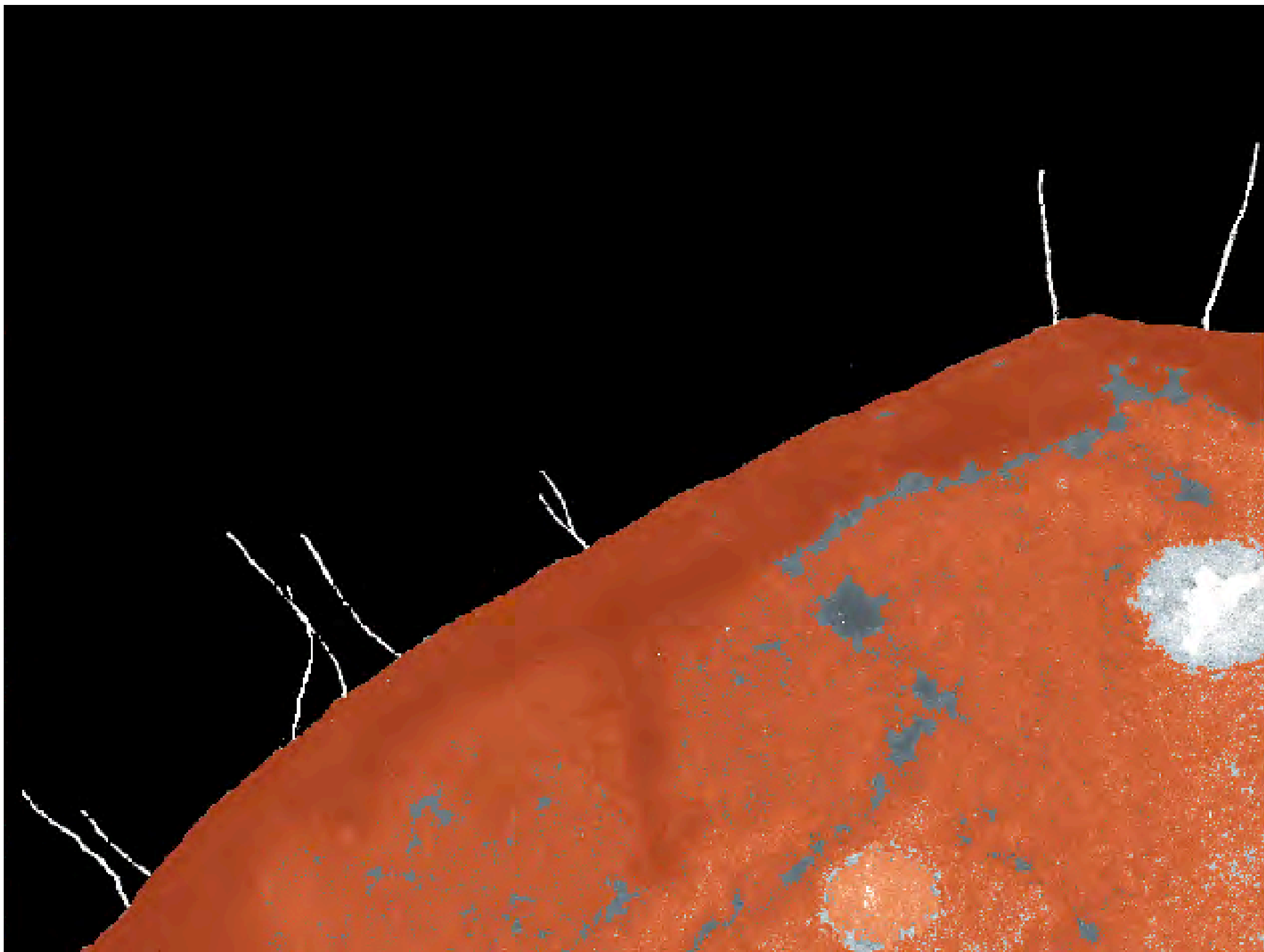
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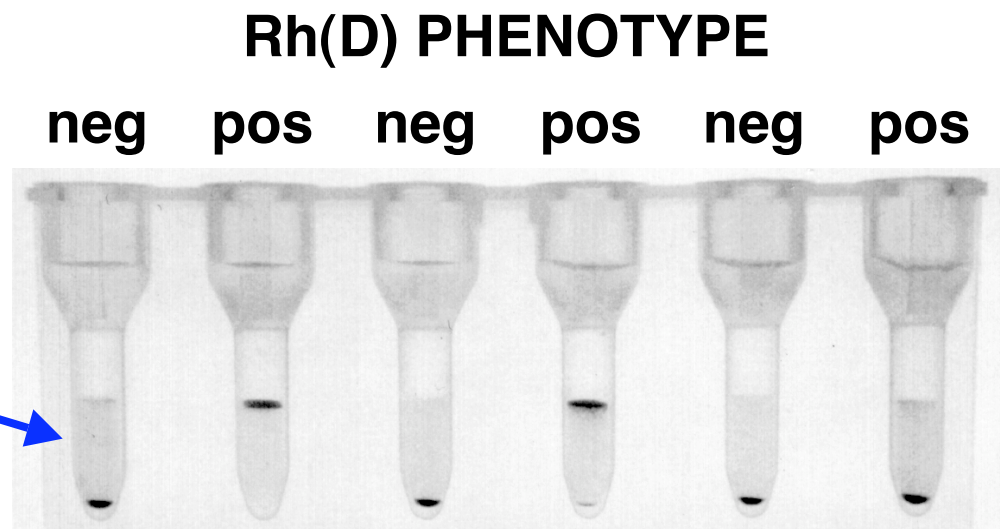
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Fab/phage dilution



Gel Card Assay with Phage-Displayed Antibodies

gel suspended in anti-M13 phage IgG (vs. anti-human globulin)



# Fab/phage added ($\times 10^7$ cfu's):	100	100	20	20	4	4
# RBCs added ($\times 10^7$):	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
RATIO Fab/phage per RBC:		63		13		2.5